

***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***

Applicant: Yoshiomi KONDOH  
Title: THERMOELECTRIC APPARATUS, DIRECT ENERGY CONVERSION  
SYSTEM AND ENERGY CONVERSION SYSTEM  
Appl. No.: 10/537,357  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 23, 2009, Applicant hereby elects the claims of Group I, claim 1, drawn to a thermoelectric apparatus, for prosecution in the subject application, without traverse.

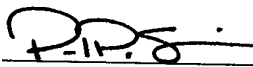
Applicants reserve the right to request rejoinder and/or file a divisional application covering the subject matter of any non-elected claims.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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